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1. In September 1952, the Russian acceptance team at VAB Carl Zeiss Jena requested the firm to accept an order for delivery of 80 A-1-p devices in 1953. Zeiss replied that it would fill the order if the following conditions were met:
 - a) The order could be filled only if sufficient productive capacity was available and if the works was provided with necessary equipment and material not available in the GDR. Zeiss cited especially MP condensers, potentiometers and special ball bearing (Hochleistungskugellager).
 - b) If the above provisions are met, fifty devices would be delivered between November 1953 and the end of that year; the remainder would be delivered in January and February 1954.
 2. The Russians insisted in their reply that the complete order be delivered in 1953. At the same time, they increased by 55 the number of instruments to be produced and delivered during the coming year. They assured Zeiss that they would see to it that all necessary materials would be made available.

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